

Brazil Ends Relations With Cuba

Castro Recognized Now by Only Four Latin Countries

BRASILIA, May 13 (UPI)—Brazil today broke diplomatic relations with Communist Cuba, leaving only four Latin American nations retaining relations with Havana.

Only Mexico, Chile, Uruguay, and Bolivia still have diplomatic relations with the Fidel Castro regime, which has been dropped from the Organization of American States for its "incompatibility" with charter principles of the regional organization.

Foreign Ministry spokesman Dario Castro Alvares today announced the rupture by the revolutionary government of Brazil. The government came to power last month in a politico-military revolt which deposed leftist-laborite President Joao Goulart. Field Marshal Humberto Castelo Branco was elected President by a purged congress.

"With respect to the relations between Cuba and Bra-

zil," the Foreign Ministry said in a communique, "Castro's government has been using them . . . to cover propaganda activities of his agents . . . The regular dialogue by diplomatic channels was being replaced by an inadmissible understanding with minority groups interested in a proselytism incompatible with the traditional Christian and democratic convictions of our people.

"This interference in the internal affairs of Brazil can no longer be tolerated without grave risks for public order and without offense to the true national sentiments reaffirmed now by the victorious (Brazilian) revolution."

The 12-man Cuban Embassy staff here withdrew all but two diplomats from Brazil after the anti-Goulart revolt triumphed. The Cuban Ambassador here was Raul Roa Khouri, son of Castro's Foreign Minister, Raul Roa.

Today's action strengthens chances for Venezuela's acquiring OAS sanctions against Cuba for aggression. Venezuela seeks an OAS Foreign Ministers conference, under the Rio mutual defense treaty.